



City of Eureka, California

Class Specification

This is a class specification and not an individualized job description. A class specification defines the general character and scope of responsibilities of all positions in a job classification, but it is not intended to describe and does not necessarily list every duty for a given position in a classification.

Class Title	Street Sweeper Operator
Class Code Number	5170

General Statement of Duties

Operates a street sweeper for the purpose of cleaning City streets, gutters, alleyways, parking lots, and other assigned areas; performs directly related work as required.

Distinguishing Features of the Class

The principal function of an employee in this class is to operate a street sweeper for the purpose of cleaning City streets, gutters, alleyways, parking lots, and other assigned areas. The work is performed under the supervision and direction of the Maintenance Supervisor, but considerable leeway is granted for the exercise of independent judgement and initiative. The nature of the work performed requires an employee in this class to establish and maintain effective working relationships with all others contacted in the course of work. The principal duties of this class are performed in an outdoor environment with exposure to a variety of weather conditions.

Examples of Essential Work (Illustrative Only)

- Operates a street sweeper for the purpose of cleaning City streets, gutters, alleyways, parking lots, and other assigned areas;
- Maintains records and reports on all activities, including recording assigned routes, preparing reports of hazardous areas, reporting operating deficiencies of equipment, and recording street sweeper maintenance;
- Receives and responds to requests from the Police dispatcher, other Police personnel, and the general public for emergency clean-up, including requests to remove debris, garbage, glass, and other materials from accident sites and other areas;

- Performs maintenance and makes adjustments on equipment, including changing gutter brooms, checking oils, leaks, and related maintenance duties;
- Performs minor repairs to street sweeper with assistance from City mechanics;
- Manually removes debris and other materials from streets as necessary, removing obstructions from the sweeper's path, and removing objects from other inaccessible areas;
- Performs, as necessary, a variety of skilled and semi-skilled duties in the Streets Division and other divisions of Public Works;
- May work either the day or the night shift, as assigned;
- Keeps immediate supervisor and designated others accurately informed concerning work progress, including present and potential work problems and suggestions for new or improved ways of addressing such problems;
- Attends meetings, conferences, workshops, and training sessions and reviews publications and audio-visual materials to become and remain current on principles, practices, and new developments in assigned work areas;
- Responds to questions and comments from the public in a courteous and timely manner;
- Communicates and coordinates regularly with appropriate others to maximize the effectiveness and efficiency of interdepartmental operations and activities;
- Performs other directly related duties consistent with the role and function of the classification.

Required Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Substantial knowledge of traffic laws and regulations regarding equipment operation;
- Substantial knowledge of the operation of street sweepers and related equipment;
- Substantial knowledge of the use of small hand tools;
- Some knowledge of asphalt and road maintenance;
- Some knowledge of asphalt and road operating equipment;
- Ability to operate and maintain street cleaning equipment, and report equipment concerns and problems;
- Ability to work independently without supervision;
- Ability to learn assigned routes and City streets;
- Ability to keep accurate records, and produce related reports;
- Ability to perform manual labor;
- Ability to work for long periods alone, outdoors, and in traffic;
- Ability to establish and maintain effective relationships with those contacted in the course of the work;
- Ability to communicate effectively with others, both orally and in writing, using both technical and non-technical language;
- Ability to understand and follow oral and/or written policies, procedures, and instructions;
- Ability to prepare and present accurate and reliable reports containing findings and recommendations;
- Ability to operate or quickly learn to operate a personal computer using standard or customized software applications appropriate to assigned tasks;
- Ability to use logical and creative thought processes to develop solutions according to written specifications and/or oral instructions;
- Ability to perform a wide variety of duties and responsibilities with accuracy and speed under the pressure of time-sensitive deadlines;
- Ability and willingness to quickly learn and put to use new skills and knowledge brought about by rapidly changing information and/or technology;

- Ability to exercise integrity, ingenuity, and inventiveness in the performance of assigned tasks.

Acceptable Experience and Training

Any combination of training and/or experience which is equivalent to:

- High School Diploma or GED;
- One to three years experience in the operation of motorized street sweepers and related equipment.

Required Special Qualifications

- Valid Class B California State Driver's License;
- Certification(s) specific to functional area of assignment may be required.

Essential Physical Abilities

- Sufficient clarity of speech and hearing or other communication capabilities, with or without reasonable accommodation, to enable the employee to communicate effectively;
- Sufficient vision or other powers of observation, with or without reasonable accommodation, to enable the employee to review a wide variety of materials in electronic or hard copy form;
- Sufficient manual dexterity, with or without reasonable accommodation, to enable the employee to efficiently operate related City vehicles, equipment, and hand and power tools as required;
- Sufficient personal mobility and physical reflexes, with or without reasonable accommodation, to enable the employee to safely lift, move, or maneuver whatever may be necessary to successfully perform the duties of their position;
- Sufficient personal mobility and physical reflexes, with or without reasonable accommodation, to enable the employee to efficiently operate and maneuver required equipment, and function in an outdoor environment with exposure to varying weather conditions.